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800 MHz Transition Administrator Accepting Guard Band Relocation Elections

Filing Instructions and Supporting Information Provided

June 29, 2005, Washington, D.C. – The 800 MHz Transition Administrator ("TA") today provided guidance to incumbent licensees operating on frequencies between 806-809/851-854 MHz in the 800 MHz band that wish relocate to the Guard Band (816-817 MHz/861-862 MHz) pursuant to the Order (http://wireless.fcc.gov/publicsafety/800MHz/bandreconfiguration/downloads/FCC-04-168A1.pdf) of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") requiring the reconfiguration of the 800 MHz band.

Certain incumbent 800 MHz licensees in the Southeast U.S. (specifically, certain counties in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee) do not have the ability to relocate to the Guard Band. Potentially affected licensees should consult the FCC's Second Erratum (http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-252929A1.pdf) to the 800 MHz Order for additional information. Relocation requests related to licenses covering the Canadian and Mexican border areas will be deferred pending additional guidance from the FCC in the 806-809/851-854 MHz band.

<u>Licensees electing to relocate to the Guard Band should notify the TA of their election by completing and returning a Guard Band Election Form.</u> This form may be found on the TA's website at 800ta.org/forms.htm.

Filing Timeframes and Instructions. To facilitate frequency planning, the TA will accept licensee elections immediately. Licensees electing to relocate to the Guard Band should submit their elections as soon as possible but no later than July 20, 2005 for Wave 1 licensees, October 3, 2005 for Wave 2 licensees, January 3, 2006 for qualifying Wave 3 licensees, and April 3, 2006 for Wave 4 licensees.

Elections should be sent to the TA by e-mail at elections@800TA.org or by fax at (866) 432-8317 (this is a voicemail service that automatically will accept faxes). The TA will provide electronic confirmation of elections. Parties should file a copy of their election with the FCC in WT Docket No. 02-55 and are advised that the TA intends to make relocation elections public.

Parties that wish to submit a copy of their election in paper form should send their elections to:

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Questions should be directed to the TA at elections@800TA.org. Additional information regarding the 800 MHz reconfiguration process can be found at www.800TA.org.

To facilitate the reconfiguration process and the TA's ability to contact licensees in a timely manner, the TA continues to encourage all 800 MHz licensees to ensure that their contact information for their FCC licenses is current and consistent in the FCC's Universal Licensing System (ULS).

About the 800 MHz Transition Administrator, LLC

800 MHz Transition Administrator, LLC ("TA LLC") is the Transition Administrator ("TA") for the reconfiguration of the 800 MHz band mandated by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"). TA LLC has contracted with BearingPoint, Inc., Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and Baseline Telecom, Inc. to perform the duties of the TA. Among its duties, the TA establishes reconfiguration guidelines, specifies replacement channels, reviews reconfiguration cost estimates, monitors payment of reconfiguration costs, manages the relocation schedule, facilitates issue resolution and administers the alternate dispute resolution process. TA LLC uses information it receives solely for the purposes of administering the 800 MHz reconfiguration process and may disclose such information to the FCC or other authorized parties pursuant to the requirements of the 800 MHz Order or other applicable laws.

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